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ABSTRACT of ſeveral Acts of Parliament, now in Force, which were made for preventing His Majeſty's Subjects from Trading to the Eaſt-Indies, under Foreign Commiſſions; and from being intereſted or concerned in any Foreign Eaſt-India Company to be erected.

BY the following Acts of Parliament now in Force, and which were made, for preventing His Majeſty's Subjects from Trading to the Eaſt-Indies, under Foreign Commiſſions; and from being intereſted, or concerned, in any Foreign Eaſt-India Company, to be erected; it is Enacted as follows, *viz.*

5th Geo. I. *Cap.* 21.] By an Act paſſed in the 5th Year of His late Majeſty, King George the Firſt, all His Majeſty's Subjects, except thoſe Licenſed by the Eaſt-India Company, are prohibited from going to the Eaſt-Indies. — And to the End ſuch Offenders may be brought to Juſtice, the Eaſt-India Company are empowered to arreſt, and ſeize, ſuch Offenders in the Eaſt-Indies, and to ſend them to England, there to anſwer for the ſaid Offence; And every Britiſh Subject, who ſhall procure, ſollicit for, obtain, or act under, any Commiſſion, Authority, or Paſs, from any Foreign Prince, or State, to ſail, or go, or trade, in, or to the Eaſt-Indies, incurs, and forfeits, for every ſuch Offence, 500 *l.*

7th Geo. I. *Cap.* 21.] By another Act paſſed in the 7th Year of His late Majeſty King George the Firſt, every Subject of His Majeſty, who ſhall go to, or ſhall Trade, or Adventure into, or from, the Eaſt-Indies, (contrary to the Laws in being,) and ſhall be convicted thereof, in any of His Majeſty's Courts of Record, at Weſtminſter, is to pay, and ſuffer ſuch Fine, and Impriſonment, as the Court ſhall think fit.

And all the Goods, and Merchandize, that ſhall be bartered or traffick'd for, in the Eaſt-Indies, or purchaſed there, by any ſuch Offenders, or that ſhall be found in his Cuſtody, or in the Cuſtody of any other Perſon, by his Order, or Procurement, are declared to be forfeited, with Double the Value thereof.

9th Geo. I. *Cap.* 26.] By an Act paſſed in the 9th Year of His late Majeſty King George the Firſt, all His Majeſty's Subjects are prohibited from ſubſcribing, contributing to, encouraging, or promoting, the raiſing, eſtabliſhing, or carrying on, any Foreign Company, from, and after, the 24th Day of June 1723, to be raiſed, formed, or erected, for Trading to the Eaſt-Indies, and from being intereſted in, or intitled to, any Share in the Stock, or Capital, of ſuch Foreign Company, under Forfeiture of all his, her, or their Intereſt, in the Capital, Principal, Stock, or Actions, of any ſuch Foreign Company, together with Treble the Value thereof.

And the Attorney General is empowered to exhibit Bills of Complaint in the Court of Chancery, or Court of Exchequer, againſt ſuch Offenders, for the Diſcovery of ſuch Offence; which Diſcovery ſuch Offenders are obliged to make on the Attorney General's waving in ſuch Bill, the ſaid Forfeiture of the Treble Value, and inſiſting only on the Single Value thereof; And in ſuch Caſe, the Single Value is to be decreed to be paid by ſuch Offender.

And that every Subject of His Majeſty accepting of any Truſt, or knowing of any Intereſt, Share, Part, Proportion, or Concern, which any other of His Majeſty's Subjects ſhall have, or be intitled to, in any ſuch Foreign Company; and who ſhall not, within Six Months, next after the Accepting ſuch Truſt, or coming to the Knowledge of ſuch Intereſt, Share, Proportion, or Concern, as aforeſaid, truly diſcover the ſame in Writing to the Eaſt-India Company, or their Court of Directors, ſhall forfeit Treble the Value of the Intereſt ſo accepted in Truſt, or ſo known and not diſcovered, as aforeſaid; and any Perſon making ſuch Diſcovery, is intitled to a Moiety of the Forfeiture.

And all His Majeſty's Subjects, (other than ſuch as are lawfully authorized thereunto,) going to, or found in the Eaſt-Indies, are declared guilty of a High Crime, and Miſdemeanor, and are made liable to Corporal Puniſhment, Impriſonment, or Fine, for the ſame, at the Diſcretion of ſuch of His Majeſty's Courts of Record at *Weſtminſter*, where the Proſecution for ſuch Offence ſhall be commenced.

And every Perſon ſo offending may be ſeized, and brought to England, and committed to Goal there, by any one of His Majeſty's Juſtices of the Peace, until ſufficient Security be given by Natural-born Subjects or Denizens, to appear in the Court, where ſuch Proſecution ſhall be commenced, to anſwer the ſame, and not depart without Leave of the Court.

3d Geo. II. *Cap.* 14.] By an Act paſſed in the 3d Year of His preſent Majeſty, it is Enacted, That if any of His Majeſty's Subjects (other than the Eaſt-India Company, and thoſe licenſed by them,) ſhall, directly, or indirectly, go to, trade, or adventure into, or from, the Eaſt-Indies, every ſuch Offender ſhall incur the Forfeiture, and Loſs, of all the Ships, and Veſſels, employed in ſuch Voyage, Trade, or Adventure; and alſo all the Goods laden thereupon, or that were ſent to, acquired, traded or adventured, within the Eaſt-Indies, and all the Proceed, and Effects, of the ſame, and Double the Value thereof.

Naples, Dec. 28. The Duke de Policaſtro, whom the King baniſhed ſome Time ſince to his Eſtate, having fallen into a lingering Diſorder, his Majeſty has permitted him to come to this City for two Months to take the Advice of his Phyſicians. The two Magiſtrates of Aquila, who were brought here ſome Months ago, and committed to Priſon on Account of bad Management, were ſet at Liberty on Wedneſday laſt, after having been deprived of their Employments.

Leghorn, Dec. 31. The Maſter of a French Ship juſt arrived in this Port from Tunis ſays, that in his Paſſage he met at Sea with two Tuneſian Corſairs, conducting to Tunis three Barks which they had taken in the Catalonian Seas.

Petersbourg, Dec. 31. On Wedneſday laſt was celebrated at Court the Anniverſary of the Empreſs's Birth Day, who then entered into the 43d Year of her Age. On this Occaſion a triple Diſcharge was made in the Morning of the Cannon of the Fortreſs and of the Admiralty, and at Night the whole City was illuminated. The ſame Day Count Lynar, the Daniſh Miniſter, ſet out from hence for Copenhagen, having received of the Empreſs a Preſent of 1000 Ducats, beſides the uſual one of 3000 Rubles. The Eſclavonian Officers who came here ſome Time ſince to ſollicit for Leave to enter into her Imperial Majeſty's Service, are at length all provided for according to their Rank. This Court ſeems greatly pleaſed with the Diſpatches it has lately received from Stockholm, as they tend to the adjuſting in an amicable Manner, all Diſputes relating to the Limits of Finland.

Genoa, Jan. 3. The Count de Sartyrane, Envoy Extraordinary from the King of Sardinia to this Republick, has informed the Government, that the King his Maſter has concluded a Treaty with the Courts of Vienna and Madrid, for eſtabliſhing the Tranquillity of Italy. We learn by private Letters from Corſica, that the Affairs of that Iſland are ſo far from being peaceably ſettled in the Manner as was inſinuated, that the Marqueſs de Grimaldi, the Republick's Commiſſary General, ſollicits ſtrongly to be recalled, on Account of the perpetual Uneaſineſs he labours under there. A few Days ago arrived here about 200 Recruits, raiſed in Swiſſerland, for the Service of the Troops of that Nation in the Pay of the King of the Two Sicilies; but as the great Quantity of Snow that is fallen in this Country, makes it abſolutely impoſſible for them to continue their March, they are quartered in the Villages round this City, where there Officers oblige them to obſerve a ſtrict Diſcipline. We learn by our laſt Letters from Cadiz, that they have received Advice, that the Iſland and Fortreſs of St. Gabriel, upon the River Plate, has been evacuated by the Portugueſe to the Spaniſh Troops that the Governor of Buenos Ayres had ſent to take Poſſeſſion of them. The Maſters of ſeveral Ships which have arrived here within theſe few Days from the Ocean aſſure us, that there are a conſiderable Number of Barbary Corſairs cruizing near the Straits of Gibraltar, in order to intercept the Spaniſh Regiſter Ships that are expected at Cadiz from the Weſt-Indies.

Copenhagen, Jan. 8. On the 5th Inſtant, the Court went into Mourning for the Death of th late Queen, when the King and Queen-Mother received the Compliments of Condolance from the Nobility and Foreign Miniſters on that melancholy Occaſion. The Mathematician whom the Court ſent ſome Time ago to Iceland, to make Obſervations on that Climate, finds, that though they have not quite ſo much Heat as we have here, yet the Difference between the two Climates, in cold Weather, was not very conſiderable. He adds, that the Northern Lights are more frequently ſeen there than here, but that they were ſeldom troubled with foggy Weather.

Franckfort, Jan. 15. The Deputies of the Circle of the Upper Rhine opened their Aſſembly on Monday laſt, but have not as yet taken any Reſolutions relating to Taxes. We have received Advice, that the young Prince, of whom the Princeſs of Heſſe Rothenbourg was lately delivered, has been chriſtened by the Names of Charles-Phillippe, the Elector Palatine ſtanding Godfather. And from Luneville we hear, that the Academy of Sciences eſtabliſhed at Nancy by King Staniſlaus, is in a very flouriſhing Condition, it conſiſting already of 70 Members, moſt of them being Gentlemen of great Learning.

Duſſeldorp, Jan. 17. The Members who compoſed the Diet of Juliers and Bergues, are ſetting out ſucceſſively for their own Homes. The Rhine, which was overflowed ſome Days ago, is now confined to its Natural Channel; and the Navigation of that River, which was entirely interrupted thereby, goes now on again as before.

Vienna, Jan. 18. Her Imperial Majeſty advances happily in her Pregnancy, and enjoys a good State of Health. Count Leopold de Daun is ſet out from hence for Neuſtadt, in order to give Directions for erecting the Military School the Empreſs is going to eſtabliſh at that Place. And the Baron de Touſſaints is ſetting out to viſit the Manufactures eſtabliſhed by her Imperial Majeſty in her Hereditary Countries.

Whitehall, December 27, 1751.

THE Duke of Newcaſtle having received a Letter, by the General Poſt, dated, Bury, December 22, 1751; *If the Perſon, who wrote it, will attend Him, at His Houſe, in Lincoln's Inn Fields, or at His Office at Whitehall, and there make, and prove, the Diſcovery, mentioned in the Letter; He may be aſſured of all fitting Encouragement, and a very handſome Reward.*

Whitehall, January 17, 1752.

Whereas it has been humbly represented to the King, that, on Thursday the 26th of December last, about Seven o'Clock in the Evening, a Fire broke out, in an Outhouse, belonging to John Framingham, Esq; at Walsingham, in the County of Norfolk, which, in a short Time, consumed the same, and two other Outhouses, adjoining thereto, and greatly endangered a large Barn, almost full of Corn, and many other contiguous Buildings; and, that, there is the strongest Reason to believe the said Outhouse, was wilfully, and maliciously, set on Fire; His Majesty, for the better discovering, and bringing to Justice, the Person or Persons, concerned therein, is pleased to promise his most gracious Pardon to any one of them, (except the Person who actually set the said Outhouse on Fire,) who shall discover his, or her Accomplice, or Accomplices in the said Fact, so, that he, she, or they, may be apprehended and convicted thereof.

HOLLES NEWCASTLE.

And, as a farther Encouragement, the said John Framingham does, hereby, promise a Reward of Twenty Pounds, to any Person, or Persons, making such Discovery as aforesaid, (except the Person who actually set Fire to the said Outhouse) to be paid upon the Conviction of one, or more, of the Offenders.

John Framingham.

And, as a still farther Encouragement, the Gentlemen, and other Inhabitants, of the Parish of Walsingham, do, hereby, promise, a farther Reward, of Twenty Pounds, to any Person, or Persons, making such Discovery as aforesaid, (except the Person who actually set Fire to the Outhouse of the said John Framingham, Esq;) to be paid upon the Conviction of one or more of the Offenders.

Admiralty Office, Dec. 23, 1751.

Notice is hereby given, that a Session of Oyer and Terminer and Goal Delivery for the Trial of Offences committed on the High Seas within the Jurisdiction of the Admiralty of England, will be held on Tuesday the 18th Day of February next, at Justice Hall in the Old Baily, London, at Eight of the Clock in the Morning.

J. Clevland.

Admiralty Office, January 10, 1752.

Whereas his Majesty has been pleased, by his Royal Proclamation of the 20th of March 1750, and by his Order in Council of the 10th of last Month, to direct that Passes of a new Form shall be issued to all his Subjects Trading in the Way of the cruizing Ships of the States of Barbary; My Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty do hereby give Notice, that in Pursuance of the aforesaid Proclamation and Order in Council, Passes of a new Form will be ready to be issued at this Office from the 1st of February next, to such Persons as shall apply for them; and at his Majesty's Foreign Colonies and Plantations as soon as conveniently may be; but that such Passes of the old Form as have been issued will nevertheless continue in Force till the 30th of October next.

J. Clevland.

Navy-Office, January 17, 1752.

The Right Hon. the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury having appointed Money for paying Half Pay to Sea Officers, from the 31st of December 1750, to the 30th of June 1751, according to his Majesty's Establishment on that Behalf;

These are to give Notice, that the said Payment will begin to be made at the Treasurer of the Navy's Office in Broad Street, on Tuesday the 11th of next Month, at Eight o'Clock in the Morning, and continued the Wednesday and Thursday following, beginning at the same Hour; That all Persons may then and there attend to receive what may become payable to them, and not only bring with them the Affidavit required touching their not having enjoyed the Benefit of any publick Employment, either at Sea or on Shore, during the Time they are to be paid the said Half Pay, but also produce Certificates that they have subscribed to the Test, and taken the Oaths required by Act of Parliament to his present Majesty. And in Case any of the said Sea Officers shall not be able to attend themselves to receive their Money, but employ Attorneys for that Purpose, that the said Attorneys may produce the like Certificates and Affidavits from the Persons they are employed by.

Notice is hereby given to the Officers and Company of his Majesty's Sloop the Drake, Captain Edward Clark Commander, who were on Board, viz. on the 18th of June, 1744, at taking the Privateer Na. Sa. de Belin, and on the 8th of May 1745, at taking the Privateer Jesus Nazereno, that they may receive their respective Shares of the Bounty Money for the said Privateers, at Mr. Henshaw's Office on Tower-hill, on Friday the 14th of February next; and the Shares not then demanded will be paid at the same Place the first Tuesday in every Month for three Years after.

South-Sea-House, London, January 16, 1752.

The Court of Directors of the South-Sea Company give Notice, That from and after the next opening of the following Annuity Transfer Books, the Transfer Days will be only

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TO be sold, pursuant to a Decree of the High Court of Chancery, before Richard Edwards, Esq; one of the Masters of the said Court, The Freehold Estate, late of Mary Wardman, Widow, deceased, consisting of three Closes of Meadow or Pasture Ground, lying at Seaton, in the Parish of Sigleſthorn in Holdernesse, in the East Riding of the County of York, lett at 17 l. per Annum. Particulars to be had at the said Master's Chambers in Chancery Lane.

TO be peremptorily sold, pursuant to a Decree and subsequent Orders of the High Court of Chancery, before William Spicer, Esq; one of the Masters of the said Court, on Monday the 10th of February next, between Five and Six in the Afternoon, The Barton of Cobridge in the County of Devon, late the Estate of William Cary, Esq; deceased, with the Messuages, Cottages and Lands thereunto belonging, of the yearly Value of 86 l. 18 s. Particulars whereof may be had at the said Master's Chambers in Lincoln's Inn, London.

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